

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

JEAN-FRANÇOIS COURTOY, et al.

Serial No.

10/046,019

Filed:

January 11, 2002

Ear

SELECTIVELY EMBOSSED SURFACE COVERINGS AND PROCESSES OF MANUFACTURE

Group Art Unit: 1771

Examiner: Hai Vo

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY EXPRESS MAIL

Express Mail@ Mailing Label No. __EV 158861165 US

Date of Deposit: February 18, 2004

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service Express Mail Post Office to Addressee service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Print Name: Carolyn P. Stanton

gnature: // //

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed November 25, 2003, finally rejecting claims 31-36 and 46-48 and withdrawing the remaining claims from consideration.

02/20/2004 SZEWDIE1 00000068 10046019

01 FC:1203

290.00 OP

Donit enter, HV 02/27/04